

The Sheriff's

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Office of the Sheriff County of Monroe



SHERIFF PATRICK M. O'FLYNN

Spring Edition 2013

MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF

I am proud of our continued successes we have had in the Monroe County Sheriff's Office. We will continue making great strides when we use our core values of Respect, Integrity, Teamwork, and Excellence as our guide.

Already this year we have reached out to our community partners to ensure that all is being done to keep our children safe in our schools. Recently members of our SWAT Team and me met with nearly 60 school district leaders to discuss school safety and security concerns. The information that was presented was a guideline for changes that school districts could make in the future. The safety of

our children and the people who teach them are critically important in this community.

In January we unveiled the Yellow Dot program that will help individuals in the event of a medical issue or emergency. I am proud to support a program that puts vital

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medical information in the hands of first responders. Several promotions occurred among the command staff since the beginning of the year.

We are fortunate to have talented individuals already on staff to step up and take on new roles and responsibilities. I commend the men and women who are hardworking, and I also want to recognize the efforts of the men and women

who recently retired from the Sheriff's Office. Their leadership and experience have helped us elevate our core values to the highest level.

I will be working closely with sheriffs from across the state this year as I serve as president of the New York State Sheriffs' Association. Counties all across the state face challenges unique to their own communities.

We will continue to work hard to achieve the highest level of professionalism in order to make Monroe County the safest place to live, work, and raise a family.



Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn

SOCIAL MEDIA ARRIVES

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce it is live on facebook and twitter. With information available at the click of a mouse, it's important for law enforcement to have quick interaction with the public.

Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn says, "we understand the importance of social media and the immediate impact it has for people to communicate with family, friends, and their community."

Sheriff O'Flynn has tapped a former member of the local news media to be in charge of administering social media for the Monroe County Sheriff's Office.

Brendan O'Riordan, a former news anchor/reporter for WHAM 1180, and a former producer/assignment editor for WROC-TV, will lead that task in his role as Communications Officer.

Sheriff O'Flynn says, "Brendan brings a great skill set to the Sheriff's Office. He has kept his ear to the community for a



number of years and he is an effective communicator."

O'Riordan says, "I'm humbled and honored to be working for the Sheriff's Office. I have always had respect for men and women in law enforcement, and that respect continues to grow when I see all the good that's done by deputies on a daily basis."

You can visit the Sheriff's Office online in several ways.

www.monroecountysheriff.info,

www.facebook.com/monroesheriffny,

<https://twitter.com/monroesheriffny>

Inside The Star



LIFE SAVING AWARDS

Undersheriff William Sanborn, Deputy Jason Elliotto and County Executive Maggie Brooks with firefighters and ambulance volunteers from Chili. All are credited with helping to save lives after a house fire on Golden Road. Deputy Elliotto helped pull two victims to safety when he twice entered the burning home. Chili Town Supervisor Dave Dunning



recognized Elliotto and the first responders at the Chili town board meeting in March. The Ogg family was rescued from the burning home. The Oggs praised the fire and emergency personnel for their quick and life-saving response. Elliotto is also a volunteer firefighter with the Chili volunteer Fire Department.

NEW POLICE BUREAU RECRUITS

Twenty-two men and women have joined the ranks of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in their new position as deputy sheriff. This is recruit class number 56. These men and women will be part of the agency's police bureau. They will go through 6 months in the police academy which will include rigorous training and the completion of field training with a deputy. The recruits were sworn into office in late February by Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn and finished a two-day administrative training at the downtown headquarters.



Alexandria Baker, Spencer Bills, Parker Blackburn, Joshua Campbell, Charles Carroll, David Celeste, Andrew Charvat, Matthew Daminski, Timothy Fitzpatrick, Derrick Goettel, Kevin Johnson, David Martek, Ryan Moore, Stephen Murphy, Nicholas Palmiero, Joshua Prance, Paola Saieva, James Shaw, Derek Smith, Katelyn Stevens, Lauren Udicious, and David Wood. Also pictured are Recruit Class Counselors Deputy M.J. MacKenzie, and Deputy Tim Spry.

REMEMBERED

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office was notified that two of its deputies will be remembered on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.

In 1932 Special Deputy Joseph G. Munz was hit by a car while directing traffic on Clover Street in the Town of Pittsford. Munz died from his injuries several hours after the incident passing away on February 26th of that year.

Munz is the maternal grandfather of retired Monroe County Sheriff's Office Investigator Sergeant Joseph Marhatta. Marhatta was present at a rededication ceremony in September of 2012. The Sheriff's Office has a permanent memorial

outside on the plaza of its downtown headquarters to honor deputies who have died in the line of duty.

Fourteen officers in ROAR, the Rochester Officer's Always Remember, will pay tribute to Munz and Special Deputy C. Fred Sova. Sova is also being recognized on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. He was shot and killed by a burglary suspect in September of 1931 in the Town of Brighton.

Members of ROAR will take part in a motorcycle ride to Washington, DC in May to honor Munz, Sova, and Webster Police Lieutenant Mike Chiapperini. Chiapperini was killed by a gunman while responding to a fire call in 2012 on Christmas Eve in



Deputy Munz



Deputy Sova

the Town of Webster.

Munz and Sova's names will be formally dedicated on May 13th at an annual candlelight vigil during National Police Week in Washington, D.C.

SCHOOL SAFETY

On Tuesday, January 15th, 2013, Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn met with area school superintendents to discuss safety issues for children, faculty, and staff in suburban and rural schools.

Sheriff O'Flynn and members of the sheriff's office discussed how to prepare and respond to a critical incident on school grounds. School leaders were presented with specific information they can use to help prevent and/or to respond to an incident.

The Sheriff's meeting with school officials follows his recent graduation in December from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. Sheriff O'Flynn received a Master's Degree in Security Studies as part of Homeland Security and Defense.

Sheriff O'Flynn's graduation is timely to his meeting with school leaders since his course of study and thesis focused on enhancing situational awareness when addressing critical incidents at suburban and rural schools.

The Sheriff's recent graduation is in addition to course work he has already completed since beginning his career with the

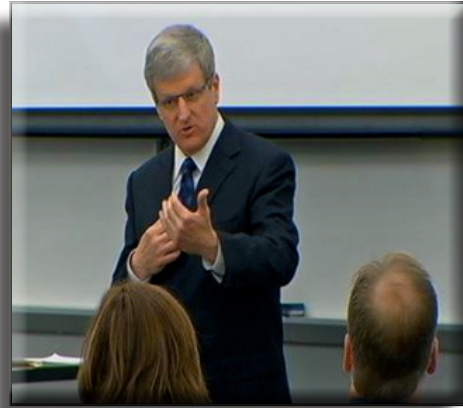


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Sheriff's Office in 1976. Sheriff O'Flynn earned an A.A.S. Degree in Criminal Justice from Monroe Community College and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Organizational Management from Roberts Wesleyan College.

EASTER BUNNY VISITS HOSPITAL

In March, Sheriff O'Flynn, Undersheriff Sanborn and staff traveled to Golisano Children's Hospital at Strong with the Easter bunny. Deputies visited several different units at the hospital visiting with children and handed out Easter bunnies to the young patients. This is a long standing tradition between the Sheriff's Office and the staff at Golisano Children's Hospital. In fact, several law enforcement agencies across the country hold similar events. The costume and easter bunnies are provided by the Easter Bunny Foundation, a non-profit organization. In past years 92 Sheriff's Offices and several police departments have helped to make so many children smile.



POLICE BUREAU

CHIEF DEPUTY DREW FORSYTHE

The Police Bureau is dedicated to making the community a safe place to live, work, and raise a family. Andrew Forsythe was promoted to the rank of Chief Deputy in February of this year. He replaces Steve Scott who retired from the Sheriff's Office earlier this year to take a security job at the Greater Rochester International Airport. Scott's 25 years of service to the Sheriff's Office is an example of excellence at its finest. Some of the core values that we uphold are integrity and teamwork. That integrity and teamwork was shown by one of our deputies earlier this year.

We are pleased to have several promotions in the police bureau since the beginning of the year. Chief Forsythe would like to recognize the promotion of Captain Lou Tomassetti to the rank of Major.

Robert Clar has been promoted to the rank of Captain and he will oversee operations in A-Zone.



Lieutenant Mike

Fowler is now serving as Captain of B-Zone, and C-Zone is now under the leadership of Captain Dave Inzana.

While we've celebrated good news within our bureau, we were also able to provide leadership in the wake of tragedy. The Sheriff's Office provided assistance with more than 60 men and personnel on Christmas Eve after a gunman ambushed and killed two West Webster firefighters. One of those firefighters was Webster Police Lt. Michael Chiapperini. We mourn the loss



Chief Deputy Drew Forsythe

of our brothers but we stand together in the blue line to support the men and women who wear the uniform.

The Police Bureau will continue to serve with Respect, Integrity, Teamwork, Excellence.

COURT SECURITY BUREAU

The Court Security Bureau is a vital part of the Sheriff's Office and its continued success. Many people visit the Hall of Justice on a daily basis. They come to see loved ones who may have a matter in front of a judge. Victims of crime also come to the courthouse to testify or witness proceedings involving an accuser. Deputies in the Court Security Bureau are responsible for the safety of

all who enter the Hall of Justice; that includes judges, prosecutors, witnesses, and inmates. They process all types of items that are brought into the building and this is done through x-ray machines. Visitors to the Hall of Justice must also walk through metal detectors. In the past, deputies have seized items such as firearms, knives, razors, and other dangerous items.



STAFF SERVICES

COMMANDER DAVE PHELPS

The New Year has provided many exciting changes to Staff Services. Dave Phelps was promoted to the rank of Commander in December to replace Michael Radler. Commander Radler retired after a distinguished 25-year career. Lieutenant Matt VanDuzee was promoted to the position of Captain and is now the commanding officer at the Monroe Correctional Facility (MCF). Captain VanDuzee was replaced in Staff Services by Lt. Dale Erne. Staff Services is responsible for supporting the four bureaus of the Sheriff's office with various operational support including: recruitment and training, quartermaster,

criminal records, property and evidence management, fleet maintenance and information technology services.

Staff Services has had an exceptionally busy winter. In February, 21 new police recruits began their careers by entering the police academy. The Fleet Maintenance Unit continued work on setting up the new Chevy Caprice police cars and the new Ford Interceptor cars and SUV's. Chevy and Ford no longer make the large full size sedans so adjustments had to be made to fit roll bars, screens, gun racks and computers into the new smaller vehicles. These vehicles will be tested over a two



Commander Dave Phelps

year period to determine which car is best suited for the MCSO.

JAIL BUREAU

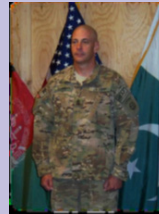
The Monroe County jail is the agency's biggest bureau with up to 550 men and women who serve the Sheriff's Office. All too often the jail is seen as a place where criminals are locked up for breaking the law. That is far from what is done inside the walls of the jail. Inmates come from all walks of life and most struggle with alcoholism, mental illness, drug addiction, or a combination. There are many services provided within the jail to help rehabilitate inmates in hopes they can become productive members of society. We value the work done by our deputies both inside and outside the jail. They represent the core values of the Sheriff's Office Respect, Integrity, Teamwork, and Excellence (R.I.T.E).

That excellence was put on display earlier this year by one deputy in particular. Justin Linton had just left Sunday mass headed to the supermarket on Brooks Avenue near the airport. He noticed a car stopped at a light with a man banging on the car windows. Deputy Linton approached the car and saw a woman unresponsive. Unable to gain



entry into her car, he returned to his car and retrieved a tool. He broke the car window and pulled the woman out. She had no vital signs, so Deputy Linton started chest compressions. The woman eventually started breathing and an ambulance took her to the hospital. Deputy Linton later responded to the hospital and was told the woman was in cardiac arrest and had it not been for his actions the woman likely would have died.

The Jail Bureau would also like to highlight the efforts of Deputy Mark Duris. He recently returned home from serving our country in the military in Afghanistan. While in the Army he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant Major. That is the highest enlisted rank. His 28 year career includes combat deployments and challenging assignments.



The Jail Bureau is also pleased to announce the promotion of Timothy Horan to the rank of Major. Horan started with the Sheriff's Office in 1989 and has held several ranks throughout his career



SUPERINTENDENT RON HARLING



Superintendent Ron Harling

including deputy, corporal, sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and now Major. Throughout his career he has spent time in Staff Services and Internal Affairs. Prior to joining the Sheriff's Office Horan served in the Army from 1983 to 1986 and was promoted 4 times within that short three year stint.

We look forward to continuing the many programs that have led to our success. Jail deputies play a key role in communicating with inmates and their work is vital to getting these individuals to become positive contributors to society.

CIVIL BUREAU

CHIEF GARY CARPINO

The new year has brought several exciting changes to the Civil Bureau. Our new offices on the fifth floor of the county public safety building give us the best opportunity to expand on the services that we provide. The new location also has a service window where people can do business with us from 9am until 5pm. They can also reach us by phone at 753-4320.

We are pleased to announce that two new civil deputies are part of our team. Joshua Brant and Andrew Loughlin graduated from the police/civil recruit class in February. Our new Senior Accountant is Catherine Smith who holds a CPA and a wealth of experience to offer from former positions she held in the corporate world. We also have a new clerk in Lauren Amedeo who formerly worked

for the Irondequoit Police department, and Kimberly Bryant who joined us from her former role at an insurance agency and has been recently promoted to the position of Senior Account Clerk.

Our four newest bureau members will also be attending the New York State Sheriffs' Association's Civil School in Albany. That's where they will continue the commitment of meeting accreditation standards. They will also be provided with education necessary to handle the variety of responsibilities they will encounter within the Civil Bureau.

The Civil Bureau has jurisdiction in all Monroe County Courts. We are responsible for serving summons, subpoenas, petitions, and court enforcement orders. Many

localized and out of State court orders involve the seizure and sale of assets or property. Civil deputies often come into contact with citizens who are going through very difficult periods of their lives. Our deputies treat each situation with professionalism and compassion to best serve the needs of the community.



Chief Gary Carpino

S. O. A. R.

HONORING OUR FALLEN HEROES

The Sheriff's Office and S.O.A.R. are planning several activities for spring of 2013 to honor Monroe County Sheriff's Employees who have died in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Monroe County. We have had 11 Sheriff's Deputies killed while performing their duties.

DEDICATION

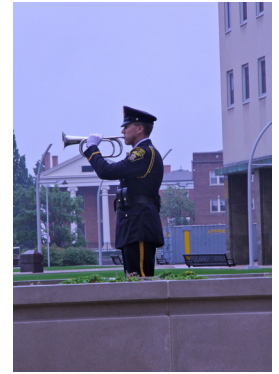
Sheriff Patrick O'Flynn held a re dedication ceremony for the Monroe County Sheriff's Memorial on September 18, 2012. The monument had been in storage while the plaza piazza was rebuilt. The MCSO Monument was placed in the center courtyard and two additional names were added. While doing his research for the MCSO Historical Office, Quartermaster Todd Allen discovered two additional individuals that while serving the MCSO died performing their duties.

WALL OF REMEMBRANCE

An initiative called the Wall of Remembrance is in the process of coming to a successful conclusion. In the area of the new Monroe County Sheriff's Office Headquarters, plaza level floor, there is planned a Wall of Remembrance. Large plaques with the photographs of each individual that "gave his/her all" along with a description of the event that took their life will be hung on this wall. Sheriff's Office Association of Retirees has donated a large portion of the finances to have this work completed.

BADGE OF HONOR

The Badge of Honor Association along with the assistance of several volunteer S.O.A.R. members is in the process of installing signs at the exact locations where these individual fell. Each sign will have the name and date of the incident along with information informing the public of a web site they may go to learn more about each event.



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| <i>Deputy Simon Bermingham</i> | <i>1912</i> | <i>Undersheriff George A. Conway</i> | <i>1963</i> |
| <i>Special Deputy C. Fred Sova</i> | <i>1931</i> | <i>Deputy Francis Dombrowski</i> | <i>1970</i> |
| <i>Special Deputy Joseph G. Munz</i> | <i>1931</i> | <i>Sergeant Robert Skelton</i> | <i>1972</i> |
| <i>Deputy William Marshall</i> | <i>1946</i> | <i>Sergeant Peter Rotolo</i> | <i>1974</i> |
| <i>Deputy James I. Conheady</i> | <i>1947</i> | <i>Corporal Catherine Crawford</i> | <i>1995</i> |
| <i>Deputy John Pullano</i> | <i>1957</i> | | |

Retired Since Last Edition

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| Chief Deputy Steven Scott | Police | Deputy Michael Carl | Jail |
| Commander Michael Radler | Police | Deputy Daniel Clark | Police |
| Major Stephen Koster | Police | Deputy Peter Johnstone | Police |
| Captain Robert Thomas Jr. | Jail | Deputy Anthony Messina | Police |
| Captain Alan Jolly | Jail | Deputy Robert Mummert | Jail |
| Captain Allen Schulze | Police | Deputy Robert Mann | Court |
| Lieutenant Glenn Maid | Police | Deputy Michael Maupin | Court |
| Lieutenant Donald Wilkins | Courts | Deputy Richard Perrin | Court |
| Sergeant Troy Bolan | Police | Deputy Scott Stauber | Police |
| Sergeant Thomas Burns | Police | Deputy Frank Sykes | Jail |
| Sergeant Paul Dano | Police | Deputy Bruce Winters | Jail |
| Sergeant David D'aprie | Police | Deputy James Youngman | Jail |
| Sergeant Andrew Frate | Police | Robert DeCramer | Sta. Eng. |
| Inv. Kimberly Okolowicz | Police | Patricia Freiberg | Clerk 2 |
| Deputy Michael Bertolone | Court | Robert D. Murphy | SAFIS |
| Deputy Jeffrey Bove | Police | Patricia Pennica | Inmate Prop. |
| | | Debra Seniawski | Clerk 2 |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office would like to wish a happy birthday to our oldest retiree. Marie Hochreiter recently celebrated her 97th birthday! Marie, started her career in the '60's. She was the last Head Matron for the Sheriff's Office. When the agency moved to the Public



Safety Building in the early 70's, Marie continued working until her retirement in 1976. Matrons later became classified as Deputy Sheriff Jailers. Sheriff O'Flynn presented Marie with a certificate in 2012 recognizing her in that role. Marie's daughter Maryann Flad says her mom's service with the Sheriff's Office included, "such happy years." Marie has



many children and grandchildren. She currently lives in Gates.

THE WAY WE WERE

Compiled by Quartermaster Todd C. Allen
AGENCY HISTORIAN

COPS AND THEIR CARS

I am very fortunate that I get to tell about our history to people all over this county and beyond. On average, I have been giving about a dozen lectures each year. Academy recruits, civic groups, students, historical societies, senior academies and senior groups are subjected to a litany of corny jokes and tales of past glory.

I share with them many facts and truths about police work (or Sheriffin') and one in which we have some fun with is: Cops and their Cars.

There is a great deal of photographic evidence in support of the premise that; all police officers at one time or another will be photographed with their car.

This fact, I share with Recruit Deputies, is as certain as cops like a good donut or free cup of coffee.

As a point of pride, more than vanity, police officers are and will forever be linked with their four wheeled partner. The car is as much a part of the police officer as the badge, gun or uniform. It provides not only a conveyance to respond to those in trouble, but offers protection and comfort. It provides shelter from the elements, keeping the officer dry, warm or cool. It is equipped with communications and weaponry. It serves as an office and a temporary jail. As identifiable as the uniform, it has always mesmerized young children and strikes awe in their parents.

So this article is dedicated to those who give credit where credit is due. To those who, through the years and for years to come, take great pride in the job and of their silent partner. Silent that is, unless you are going "77".



The Late Ken Miller at the Monroe County Fair Grounds, 1947



K-9 Deputy Sabi at the Rochester Air Show



Deputy Harlan Spiegel circa 1920



Deputy (now Sergeant) Paul Senko with a "Slick top"